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SUBJECT: LOS: CONSULTATIVE MEETING 1 DEC

1. LOS CONSULTATIVE GROUP (APPROXIMATELY 70 ATTENDING) MET UNDER CHAIRMAN AMERASINGHE 1 DEC AND REVIEWED POSITIONS OF REGIONAL GROUPS ON CONF ORGANIZATION. RULES OF PROCEDURE NOT DISCUSSED. STATEMENTS BY REGIONAL CHAIRMEN INDICATED NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGES ON CONF ORGANIZATION FROM THOSE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. DETAILED REVIEW WILL BE SENT SEPTEL 3 DEC SINCE EVENTS TO TAKE PLACE LATER TODAY IN CONSULTATIONS OUTSIDE US OBSERVATION MAY WELL OVERTAKE THIS MORNING'S ACTIVITIES.

2. ONLY AGREEMENT THUS FAR IS ON AMERASINGHE AS CONF PRESIDENT. IN ADDITION TO REVIEW OF REGIONAL POSITIONS PRC MADE VERY UNHELPFUL STATEMENT OPPOSING AUTOMATIC MEMBERSHIP OF PERMANENT MEMBERS IN ANY OFFICIAL POSITIONS SINCE "ALL COUNTRIES ARE EQUAL". US (STEVENSON) URGED ESTABLISHING 4 MAIN COMITES (MC), (ONLY AF GROUP SUPPORTS 3), AND REGRETTED DECISION MAKING PROCESS HAD NOT BEEN

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DISCUSSED IN EITHER REGIONAL OR CONTACT GROUPS. US,

UK, AND FRANCE REGRETTED SECRETARIAT PUBLISHED DRAFT RULES BEFORE DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD. (CONF DOC #2 DTD 26 NOV AND DISTRIBUTED TODAY).

3. URGED BY SEVERAL DELEGATIONS, AMERASINGHE WILL MEET LATER TODAY WITH HEADS OF 5 REGIONAL GROUPS TO ATTEMPT COMPROMISE ON CONR. ORGANIZATION. US POSITION VIS-A-VIS WEO GROUP, TO BE DISCUSSED WITH AMERASINGHE BEFORE MEETING. USUN OPINION IS THAT OF WIDE NONSUPPORT FOR AUTOMATIC INCLUSION OF PERMANENT MEMBER IN EITHER GENERAL OR DRAFTING COMITES CURRENT INTENTION IS TO ANNOUNCE US CANDIDACY FOR VICE PRESIDENCY AND DC MEMBERSHIP BY LETTER 3 DEC. IF SEPARATE US STATUS (OUTSIDE OR REGIONAL GROUP APPORTIONMENTS) IS REJECTED, US SEATS WOULD BE COUNTED AGAINST WEO, (WHICH IS CLEARLY UNATTRACTIVE TO WEO'S).

4. REGIONAL GROUPS TO MEET 0930 3DEC. TO RECEIVE RESULTS OF THIS AFTERNOON'S CONSULTATIONS. CONSULTATIVE GROUP WILL MEET AFTER COMITE I SESSION AM 3 DEC. TO ATTEMPT AGREEMENT BEFORE CONF. COMMENCES IN GA HALL AT 3 PM.  
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